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Where Did Everybody Go?

by Christine Kasel

The newly released enrollment statistical summary for fall '97 shows that UNO's enrollment, dropped from 15,000 in 1996 to 14,299 for the fall '97 semester.

College enrollment statistics for programs administered by UNO across campus reflect the decrease in enrollment. The only exceptions to the decrease are University Division and the new College of Information Science & Technology.

The summary's headcount showed University Division to be up 86 over last year. The official count for IS&T showed 525 enrolled students.

The Colleges of Arts and Sciences, down 420, and Business Administration, down 334, experienced the largest drops in enrollment. The College of Continuing Studies had a drop of 137, followed by the College of Public Affairs & Community Service with 121. The College of Fine Arts and the College of Education experienced slightly lower declines of 93 and 70. In all, UNO dropped 701 students compared to the University of Nebraska at Lincoln's 1,100.

Despite the falling numbers, Dr. Mary Mudd, vice chancellor of Student Services at UNO, said there are

positives to the report. "We're most pleased with our ability to track the entry of traditional age students," Mudd said. Tracking those statistics showed that the number of incoming freshman is holding steady. For the students graduating from high school, Mudd said, "it means we've become a first choice."

The report also brought attention to another issue. "We're seeing fewer and fewer part-time stu-

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dents," she said. With so many job opportunities available, Mudd believes the students who might have felt the need to take a class here or there to stay competitive no longer feel compelled to do so.

Although UNL's drop in enrollment has been attributed to new admissions standards, Lou Cartier, director of public relations, doesn't believe that holds for UNO. "We don't necessarily feel that's a strong

explanation," said Cartier. There are a number of contributing factors, said Cartier, "but the new standards permit us to take 25 percent...conditionally." Cartier said that UNO has "historically looked at students on the edge, on the margin." Cartier explained that these are the students, for example, who might've missed a required class. "It doesn't mean they're dumb," he added, "they're quite bright." Cartier said it's possible that UNL hasn't applied the same strategy as UNO in pursuing these students. Cartier believes there are stronger influences at work.

There is a history of cycling up and down," said Cartier, "and evidence says we're at the bottom of a trough of a 20 to 25 year cycle." Cartier said that the "spike of 17,000" attained in 1992 is "not sustainable." He believes it's a "case

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Coach Behrns leads his troops into Fargo, North Dakota this weekend. The Mavericks beat North Dakota State for the first time in Behrns' tenure last season in an upset of the top-ranked Bison at the Fargodome. While the Bison have had the Mavs' number here in Omaha, a victory in this second meeting in Fargo could establish Behrns' dominance of the dome.



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Mavs Hit The Road

focus

Boeing's Big-Wig Comes to Big 'O'

by Megan Torau

One aspect of the Omaha Institute of Information Science, Technology and Engineering at UNO institute that has not received much attention is the acquisition of the services of Jimmie E. Haines as an assistant to the Dean.

Haines, an executive for the Boeing Company, has come to the university to help with the start up of the IST&E.

Haines attended Wichita University and the Chicago Technical College in mechanical engineering. He completed many courses in computer engineering at many other universities. He also attended a Dale Carnegie course. Haines has been involved in senior management executive training programs at Boeing and numerous committees including President Ronald Reagan's committee on integrity and efficiency.

Haines started working at Boeing as an engineer. He worked on major programs such as the B-47, the B-52, military helicopters and missiles. He was also involved in the space program, computing, programming and architecture. "I helped put a man on the moon," he said. Due to his hard work, he was promoted

to executive management.

"Boeing is a proponent of education," Haines said. Boeing has affiliations with many prominent academic institutions. The company seeks to help the institutions produce graduates who have the background and the tools to succeed in the business world.

Boeing became involved with the UNO and the UNL because, "They had a vision," Haines said. The company would like to be an instrumental part in making the institute live up to everyone's expectations.

In order to help the university, Boeing has sent Haines to UNO for one year. He is to provide advice and council and to observe the college's development.

He will provide industry-expert lectures at UNL and UNO. He hopes to interface with local and state

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Student Senate Speaker Steenson Resigns

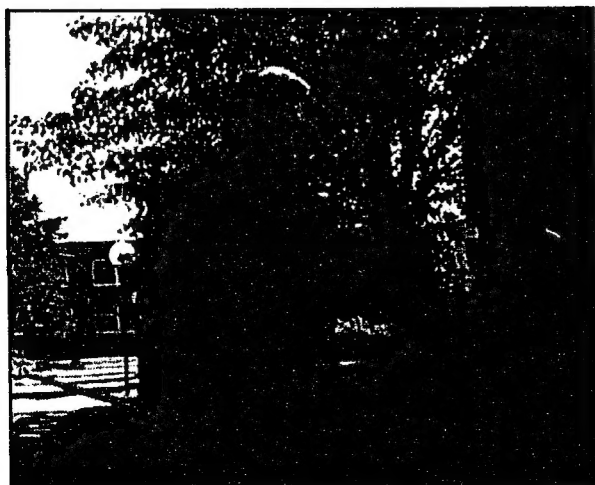
by Wendy Townley

Former Senate Speaker Brandon Steenson announced his resignation from the UNO Student Senate during the Senate meeting on Sept. 11.

According to Steenson, his decision to resign was finalized earlier that week. A junior, Steenson said he had worked "so hard for so long. I am basically just burned out."

Steenson has been an active member of student government since his arrival on campus as a freshman in the fall of 1995. He is a second term

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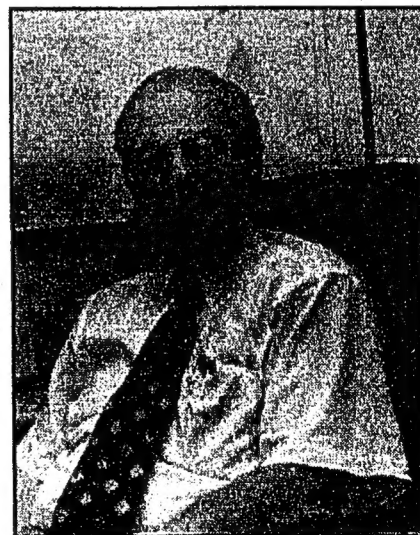


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Gateway events calendar Coming Up

Friday 19th

- 9 a.m. raising of the POW/MIA flag sponsored by Pen and Sword Society main flag pole
- 11:30 a.m. "Fiesta en la Plaza" to celebrate the Mexican independence, Durham area, free music and food
- 7:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. opening reception featuring art by Melba Price and Bruce Tapola UNO art gallery
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. homecoming event featuring Rick Kelly interactive, including limbo, sing-a-longs, etc. MBSC plaza, free admission
- 7 p.m. NSSLHA meeting for those who couldn't attend Tuesday
- 7:30 p.m.-11 p.m. homecoming hayrack ride Vala's Pumpkin Patch transportation between UNO and Vala's provided free eats afterward students \$3, public \$4

Monday 22nd

- 11:30 a.m. homecoming event featuring hypnotist Jim Wand MBSC ballroom, free admission

Tuesday 23rd

- clothesline across campus to donate clothes for the Salvation Army Pep Bowl, or Nebraska room in case of rain
- 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Circus Olympics organizations will compete in silly events Pep Bowl, free admission
- 12 p.m.-1 p.m. "Hockey 101" sponsored by Campus Rec and Men's Athletics MBSC Dodge Room, free admission
- 7 p.m. come one, come all National Student Speech, Language, and Hearing Association (NSSLHA), meeting for those interested

Wednesday 24th

- clothesline across campus continues

Thursday 25th

- KBUL Golf Tourney on the Knolls call 554-2601 for details

Friday 26th

- 12 p.m. Homecoming Pep Rally MBSC Fireplace Lounge Free admission
- KBUL Golf Tourney continued
- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. "No Clowning Around" organizations compete in best banner contest MBSC Fireplace Lounge free admission
- 8 p.m.-12 a.m. Homecoming Dance Blondo Social Hall, 8045 Blondo St. \$1 admission

Saturday 27th

- 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 3 p.m.-5 p.m. Carnival Extravaganza all kinds of rides and games! Pep Bowl and MBSC plaza \$1 pass for rides carnival booths in plaza free

Doing Justice to Native American Justice

by Helen Evans

Dr. Bruce Johansen will be releasing another *one-of-a-kind* encyclopedia in 1998.

Johansen, a professor in the Communications Department at UNO, began a interesting career as a journalist for the Seattle Times. He graduated from the University of Washington, where he received a B.A. and his Ph.D. in journalism with an emphasis on journalism-related fields such as political science and communications. Johansen started working in UNO's Communications department in 1982.

After publishing 10 books, Johansen adds an 11th piece titled, "The Encyclopedia of Native American Legal Tradition." The encyclopedia closely examines the ways in which various Native American tribes conducted their legal matters during the pre-colonial era.

He began his research for the encyclopedia by interviewing legal experts that specialize in Native American affairs. He incorporated this pertinent and vital information into this book.

The encyclopedia also explores issues dealing with social, racial, political, and economic concerns as they relate to legal issues in Native American history and present day Native American affairs.

Although Johansen is not of Native American descent, he possesses a genuine interest in Native Americans and their culture. He has spent several years researching and investigating issues that pertain to Native American contribution, specifically in the Cherokee, Iroquois, Pawnee, NW Coast, Chipawa and Omaha tribes.

This is particularly evident in his book "Forgotten Founders." He explores the influence that the Iroquois tribe had on the founding of the United States. Johansen has been careful to thoroughly research matters dealing with Native American affairs.

In addition, "Wasi'chu: The Continuing Indian Wars," "El Pueblo: The Gallegos Family's American Journey," "Exemplar of

Liberty: Native America and the Evolution of Democracy" and "The Encyclopedia of Native American Biography" are books co-authored with Native American writers in order to reflect a non-western perspective.

Many publishers of Johansen's works have commented that this is the first time since the early 1850's that any books of this kind have been printed.

Johansen has also been involved with numerous freelance writing in newspapers, magazines, journals, and wire services across the country.

Johansen expresses that his works will "open the eyes" of students that particularly have little or no knowledge of Native American culture and contribution.

"Omaha is different from Seattle, where there is a greater exposure to people of various ethnic backgrounds. Omaha is expanding though and more people are becoming receptive to ideas particularly dealing with issues of diversity."

Johansen's newest piece will be released in 1998, along with another evoking piece, "The Iroquois Great Law of Peace for Children."

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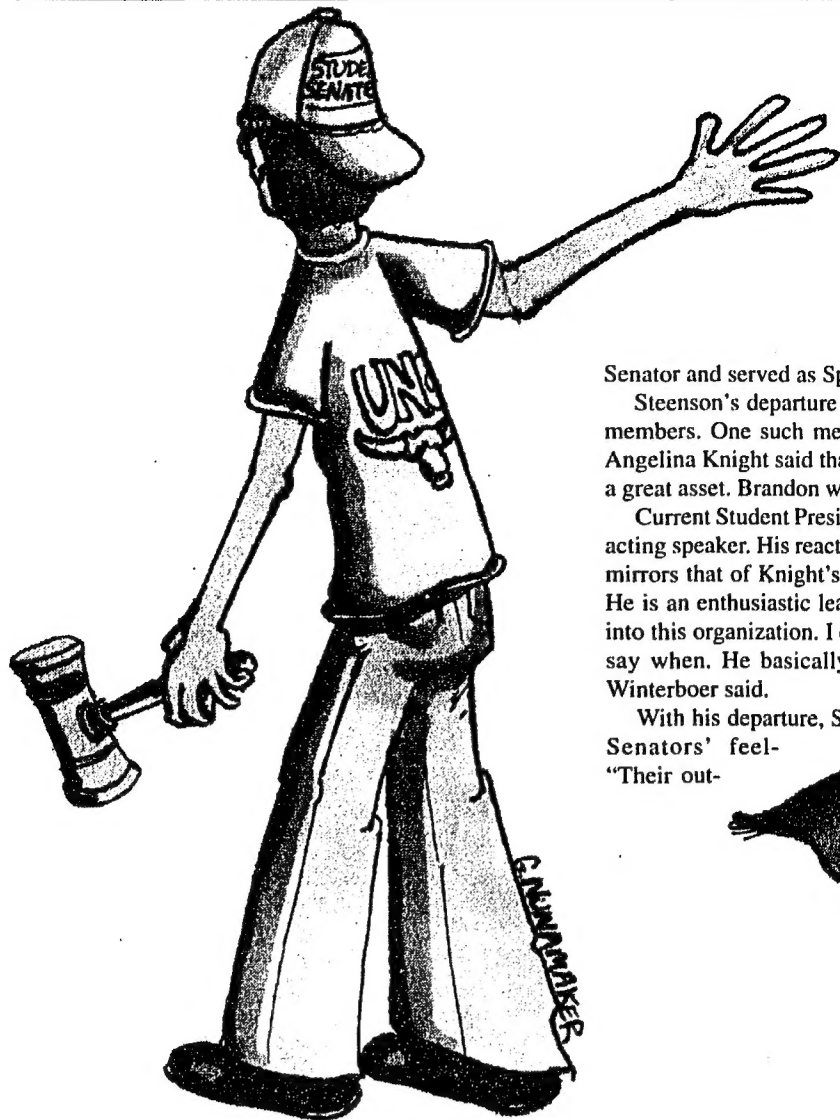
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Throwing In the Towel

Speaker Steenson Resigns Post

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Senator and served as Speaker for half of a year.

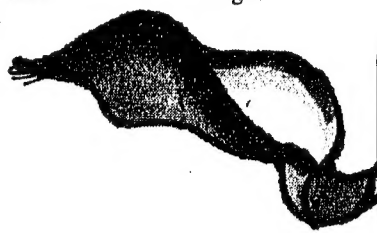
Steenson's departure was immediately felt by the Senate members. One such member, Chief Administrative Officer Angelina Knight said that Steenson was "very dedicated and a great asset. Brandon was a good leader; we will miss him."

Current Student President Jason Winterboer now serves as acting speaker. His reaction to Steenson's resignation closely mirrors that of Knight's. "I am very sad to see Brandon go. He is an enthusiastic leader. Brandon put his heart and soul into this organization. I do respect him for knowing when to say when. He basically had too many irons in the fire," Winterboer said.

With his departure, Steenson agreed he shared his fellow Senators' feelings. "Their out-

pouring of both sorrow and gratitude was overwhelming. I want to thank all those students I have worked with. This truly has been a growing and maturing experience. And I can honestly say that I resigned with no regrets. I wouldn't trade my work with this organization for anything," Steenson said.

With his resignation, Steenson plans to focus more time on his school work. "I will continue to work in the math lab and attend my classes," Steenson said. "I'm looking forward to being 'Joe Average Student.' I am just going to be Brandon, for a change."



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of the market seeking its own level." For UNO to provide an optimum experience, that level is "somewhere around 15,000."

Cartier agrees with Mudd about the economy's impact on enrollment, and, said there is a direct relationship between the two.

Cartier said when the economy is up and there are good opportunities for work people will take advantage of it. With a tighter economy people feel a need for training and head back to the classroom. But the economy as an explanation for dropping enrollment seems to be singular to the UNO campus.

Although figures for the University of Nebraska at Kearney have yet to be released, Stephen Robinson, the new assistant vice chancellor for Enrollment Services at UNK, concurs with UNL. "We're still dissecting the information," said Robinson, but "I feel it's safe to say that the enrollment figure is going to be slightly down."

Robinson believes the decrease can be attributed mainly to the new admission criteria. However, he estimates the decrease to be small. "It's not a big chunk," he added, "maybe three percent."

In contrast with the University of Nebraska system, Metropoli-

tan Community College is enjoying an increase in enrollment.

Joe Distefano, MCC's director of marketing and public relations, said the official enrollment of 1997 is still being analyzed. However, the report shows that enrollment for the fall term was 11,213, up from 10,759 in 1996.

Distefano said there were "a whole host of reasons" for the jump, including telecourse enrollment and state correctional program. MCC is also responding to an increased demand for computer classes. "Computer programming and microcomputing have taken substantial jumps," said Distefano. But it's possible the new admissions standards for the University of Nebraska system also contributed. "We don't know that for a fact," said Distefano, "but we can assume that we're now a first choice for more students."

Mudd said that for UNO students, the fallen figures will be felt in small ways. More parking. Shorter lines in the Student Union. Lower teacher-student ratios. But other than that, "I don't think it has any true impact on the daily lives of students here."

Please Feed the Animals

by Crystal Johnson

On the first floor of the Milo Bail Student Center the new KBUL office sits. Inside hangs a hand-drawn "fund-O-meter," with lines drawn at even intervals of 100. . . 200. . . 300. . . up to 4,000 where "on the air" flashes in bold, red letters.

The UNO radio station, KBUL, will be hosting a number of fund-raisers in September. They hope to raise at least \$4,000 to be on the air by the spring of 1998.

Right now the fund-o-meter reads only about \$200 saved, but they say they have just started. "Our goal is to be half way to our target by about Oct. 6," said Pete Sobu, programming for KBUL.

"We need to save \$4,000 to \$6,000 for everything from new equipment to rewiring the student union," said Sobu, "we plan to earn

the money ourselves instead of using money from student fees."

For the first fund-raiser, KBUL will have a booth at the Homecoming carnival held on Sept. 27, before and after the game. "Participants will have a chance to win a can of pop by tossing a ring and catching it around the rim of a bottle," said Erin Doll, KBUL promotions director. "We hope to have local grocery stores donate cans of pop," said Stacy Jo Moss, assistant promotions director.

The second fund-raiser, "the couch potato," will be held during the homecoming game on Sept. 27.

"A couch will sit on the south end zone. For \$1 anyone that goes to the game can enter their name in a raffle to win a spot on the couch," said Sobu.

Tickets will go on sale Thursday and Friday, Sept. 25 and 26, in the

Student Center across from the bookstore from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and at 11 a.m. at the game on Saturday, Sept. 27 until the end of the first quarter.

The winning ticket number will be called at the end of the first quarter and the winner and three friends will be able to sit on the couch for the next three quarters and watch the game from the south end zone instead of from the bleachers. They will be waited on by the KBUL staff and receive free snacks from the concessions stand.

"Just imagine sitting on the sidelines of the homecoming football game, being waited on by our staff and getting free concessions," said Sobu. "All this for only \$1."

Finally, On Sept. 25 and 26, KBUL will be holding a golf tournament at Knolls Golf Course. The contest is open to anyone and costs \$35 for students and \$40 for the public.

"Prizes will be provided by Austads Golf stores," said Joe Hammon, KBUL president. "The grand prize is a \$150 gift certificate towards a new set of golf clubs from Austads."

The deadline to enter the golf tournament was Sept. 8, so it is too late to participate, but the KBUL staff is looking for any volunteers interested in helping out with this promotion or other promotions.

Anyone interested in working for the KBUL staff can visit their office on the first floor of the Student Center for an application, or contact Joe Hammon at 571-2697 or Pete Sobu at 345-6084.

"We definitely could use as many volunteers as we can get," said Sobu. "The more the merrier."



Photo by Chad Greene

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companies that show interest in the new institute.

Haines will also work with the National Science Foundation. He is an industry advisor who participates on the National Visitor Committee involving a project in information systems and technology and is a member of the National Advisory Board.

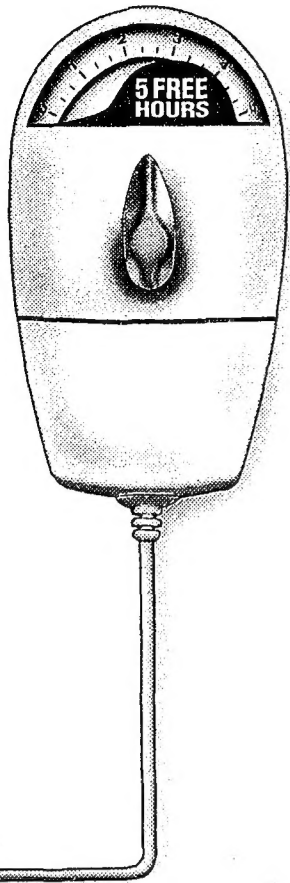
Haines will spend his year working hand-in-hand with other faculty to help the institute meet its potential. By having an industry professional actually working with the faculty of the university allows

IST&E to be tailored to business' needs.

Haines will be able to provide expert advice as well as encourage partnerships with other area companies.

Haines said that he would like to see the institute become "a world class academic institution. He hopes the institute will be a trendsetter not only in the nation, but also throughout the world."

Haines is already active in his position as an expert-in-residence and assistant to the Dean of IS&T. He plans to help the college get moving in the right direction and then he plans to return to Boeing.



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I Might have What? in my Genes

"The two most common known forms of cancer that can be found in the genes are breast and ovarian cancer."

— Dr. Julie Vose, MD.,
oncologist and vice
chair and associate
professor of the
internal medicine
department

by Pam Ludwig

Gene therapy, is it a way to identify those at risk for cancer? That is what Richard Klausner, MD., director of the National Cancer Institute, delivered a speech about Sept. 12, on the UNMC campus.

The conference was targeted at the treaters and researchers for cancer patients. It also recognized September as National Bone Marrow Awareness Month. The conference was sponsored by UNMC College of Medicine's Department of Internal Medicine, a section of oncology/hematology, UNMC College of Nursing Continuing Nursing Education and UNMC Eppley Cancer Center.

UNMC is among the top three busiest bone marrow transplant centers in the nation and is also internationally recognized as a leader in diagnosis and treatment of leukemia and lymphomas. UNMC is also a member of the National Comprehensive Cancer Network, an affiliation of the top leading cancer research centers in the United States, with the goal of providing cost-containing, high-quality services through research and treatment for those who have cancer.

Klausner, who's lecture was titled "Impact of Molecular Genetics on Cancer Care," received his undergraduate degree at Yale University. He then went on to pursue and receive his medical degree at Duke University. He continued with his post-graduate training at Harvard University.

He began his research career at the National Institute of Health. In 1993, he was elected to the National Academy of Sciences where he was responsible for the new comprehensive science curriculum for U.S. students in kindergarten through 12th grade. Klausner was appointed director of the NCI in 1995. Eleven years before he was appointed director of the NCI, he was chief of the Cell Biology and Metabolism Branch National Institute of Child and Human Development. He is the author of over 250 science articles and several books. Klausner is well-known for his contributions to the different aspects of cell and molecular biology. He is also recognized as one of the 20 most-cited scientist in the areas of biology and biomedical research.

Julie Vose, MD, oncologist and vice chair and associate professor of the internal medicine department said, "Dr. Klausner's lecture discussed the use of genetic testing to help identify those people who are at risk of developing cancer. With this information, scientist are researching the possibility of using gene therapy as an alternative way to treat cancer. Although scientists are now looking for ways to use gene therapy as an alternative way to treat cancer. Vose said, "It would take years and years to achieve."

There are many different reasons for having genes tested for cancer, but according to Vose, "the most important reason is if one of your first relatives were diagnosed with it." This is due to the fact that if a member of your family had cancer then you are at a higher risk yourself. "The two most common known forms of cancer that can be found in the genes are breast and ovarian cancer."

One of the most debatable topics of gene testing is who would get to see this information. The patient and the doctor would have access to it in addition to insurance companies. This would allow an insurance company to refuse coverage on an individual.

The information shared at the will enhance research efforts here at UNMC. "Research at UNMC is important to those who have cancer, including those in all of Nebraska who it affects," Vose said. "We are dedicated to building upon excellent programs."

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Gateway Opinion

Kids 'N Criminals

Gary Bradley

The stage has been set for a major sociological study. Nebraska may not like the results. The major question of the study: What do you do with juvenile offenders to ensure they don't grow up to be an adult offender? It's an interesting question, and the state of Nebraska is doing its part to ensure that social scientists some day will find an answer.

Nebraska's approach? Lock 'em up! While other states spend money on community-based treatment and prevention, Nebraska stands out in a 1996 study conducted by the National Association of Child Advocates as the top spender on institutional expenditures as a percentage of funds spent on juvenile justice (outranking even New York and California).

That's right, Nebraska led all 11 states included in the study, spending over 81 percent of its juvenile justice dollars on locking children up, rather than prevention and treatment.

What are the consequences of such a policy?

A recent California study showed incarceration of juveniles actually increases recidivism. That is, children are more likely to commit other crimes if they're placed in an institution. Nebraska may be teaching juvenile offenders to become criminals.

A national study conducted in 1994 found a significant correlation between increases in juvenile incarceration rates and subsequent growth in adult populations. This increased emphasis on locking up teen offenders, then, should result in Nebraska spending even more money in the future on locking up adults.

Yet the whole thing boils down to more than current or future expenditures. Behind the numbers lie real live people, young and impressionable ones at that. Teaching children to be criminals by locking them up not only places the entire community at risk, it ruins the lives of children who might otherwise be saved.

What do the statistics say?

Nebraska does have a problem. From '86 to '95, juvenile arrest rates (number of arrests per 1,000) grew from 27.5 to 45.5. Further complicating matters, violent juvenile crimes grew by 143.5 percent from '86 to '95.

Locking up violent offenders seems to be an easy enough solution, and one that may fit the crime. But, unless deviant behavior is *treated*, juvenile offenders become adult offenders. Simply locking them up, even the violent ones, does nothing to solve the problem. Wouldn't it make more sense to identify the underlying causes for the growth in violence and then address them?

A closer look at the truth

You may have heard statistics can lie. The case at hand is a good example. While it's true that violent juvenile crime grew by 143.5 percent from '86 to '95, it's also true that violent crime is lower today than it was in '75.

From '75 to '84, violent crimes committed by juveniles dropped by more than 250 percent (down from 415 to 117). About the time that locking up youth offenders or sending them to "boot camps" became popular (coincided by a shift away from treatment and rehabilitation), juvenile crime rates began to climb back up.

Rather than spending more money on institutions, we should look at the approaches used from '75 to '85 that helped bring crime down.

Currently, only 5.8 percent of Nebraska's juvenile justice expenditures are for prevention, and 3.5 percent of expenditures go to community-based programs. Given the correlation between institutionalization and recidivism, do we really want Nebraska to be a national leader in institutional spending, yet lag behind in spending for prevention and community-based programs?

A plan for change!

I'm not suggesting children get away with crimes. I'm suggesting that while they are young and their minds are impressionable, we seek to prevent juvenile crime or rehabilitate young offenders, rather than simply institutionalize them.

You can make a difference directly by getting involved in organizations designed to help children, like Big Brothers and Big Sisters, or you can help indirectly by contacting your state senator or Governor Nelson and urging them to work for crime prevention, rather than incarceration. Either way, get involved.

Chancellor Belck meets the press. . .



Puppy Power Unleashed on Unsuspecting Woman

Tamra Willett-Johnson

I'm experiencing pure gratitude. I'm thanking all the gods and goddesses who ever lived with hosannas. A warm fuzzy blanket sense of appreciation is seeping in my bones. I'm so glad I never had a child!

I haven't always felt this way. I've gone through many stages adjusting to being childless. In my early twenties, I did all I could to ensure no little zygotes formed in my body. In my late twenties, I began to think about passing on my DNA, but the partner pickin's were slim and I waited. In my early thirties, I wrestled with the "do I or don't I" question that all women face and while I was pondering, time kept passing.

Now in my late thirties, I'm sure I won't be having any little bundles of joy as in my current relationship certain elements, shall we delicately say, are missing. This realization brought on intense bouts of mourning.

Once it was clear no babies would be birthed by this girl, pregnant women and babies were suddenly everywhere. My sister got pregnant, a good friend did too. Round bellies and strollers met me at every turn, giggling Elmos and winsome Winnie-the-Poohs leered down from shelves, and I became aware of an empty space under my heart.

All that sadness has lifted and I feel as light and fluffy as a summer movie plot. What brought about such a gestalt? What powerful force of nature got me to embrace my infertility with joy? What potent object loosened the grip of despondency that had taken up residence in my soul? Ladies and Gentlemen, I would like you to meet Blanche - our new Border Collie puppy.

Three months old, black and white, with a tail powerful enough to knock books off shelves and a piercing whine that could make a monk threaten violence - this little four-footed bundle of fur has set me free of baby cravings.

I hadn't expected such a lesson - well, there were a lot of things I didn't expect. Sure, I had read books about puppies and had talked to many experts about training. I thought I had a handle on how much energy, time and patience it would take to raise a happy, healthy, well-adjusted and well-trained animal. Nothing prepared me for the reality of feedings, potty training, bathing, and the sheer commitment of time necessary for the rearing of a dog.

One day, I was on the edge. Up to the time of adopting Blanche, my time had always been my own - I left, came home, went here, did this,

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ate then - whenever I wanted. Now I had to plan my day around her feedings, walks, training and play sessions. I'd spent a full day with Blanche and was taking advantage of her naptime to do wash, dust, vacuum, cook dinner, and try to find some minutes to read. My hair was up in pin curls, and as I was scrubbing out the bathroom - site of the recent struggle of man versus animal, or as my husband calls it "The tub of torture" - I caught a glimpse of myself in the mirror.

I recoiled in horror. My mother's reflection was peering out at me, complete with lips thinned from repressing frustration, frown lines from trying to do too much in too little time, and eyes dulled from lack of personal time.

I threw down the sponge and marched out to where the perpetrator slept so sweetly. I took a deep

breath, realized I had to stop trying to do it all perfectly, and curled up next to her. And that's when I knew it wasn't a curse I didn't have children - it was a blessing.

For Blanche is a great dog - she hasn't had an accident in the house, knows the basic commands, plays without biting, and her eyes - well, they could make Jesse Helms support the NEA. Except for her tendency to herd the cat around the house, she doesn't have a bad habit.

This wonderful dog had me tense, upset and angry. What would a child do to me? You can't put a child in a kennel when they get out of hand

(OK, a playpen is basically a kennel, but they don't work well after the kid is three), or train a kid to stay in the front room (OK, guess you could, but that would be one unhappy controlled kid), and you can't train a kid to lay down and stay (well, again, you could but that would be abusive) when you need to write a paper.

So, I'm learning tons o' stuff about myself and my choices.

Blanche is helping me to learn that I'm a person who needs lots of time for myself and how to balance that need with the needs of a puppy. She is teaching me to roll around in the grass, run after butterflies, and to toss a ball around just for fun.

But she also brought me an unexpected blessing. I am now happy and at peace being childless. My genes and training are such that I could have turned into a bitter, unhappy, stressed out woman. Mom did her best, goddess knows, but she is a lot like me - needs her time and space - and with four kids those things were in short supply. Thank you spirit (or fate, or choices made or not made, or whatever) for leading me to this place.

So many lessons from a such a little package. Think I'll go give her a puppy treat.

What do you think of Beauty pageants?



Kathy Denker **Freshman/Undeclared**

"I think beauty pageants should be eliminated because they waste money that could be used for more scholarships to aid more women."

"Personally, I like beauty pageants. It's not a bad thing to express beauty whether it be art or physical form."



John Happel **Freshman/Business Admin.**



Ian Barnes **Senior/Small Business**

"I think they're good for scholarships and other things."



Darrell Peterson **SOLD-Multi-culture Programming**

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Miss America's in the Dog House

Sean Gullfoyle

We have a new Miss America. On Saturday night, Miss Illinois Katherine Shindle was crowned Miss America 1998. Many factors played a role in deciding the eventual winner. Obviously, looks were not a part of the criteria.

Let's face it. Miss America 1998 is a woof, a dog if you will. I didn't think she had a snowball's chance in hell of making it to the final 10, let alone being the eventual winner.

I was pretty hyped for the whole event to start. Realizing their error in ignoring the true meaning of the gala, pageant officials were allowing two-piece bathing suits for the first time in the history of the pageant.

Finally, a chance to truly judge the contestants on something worthwhile. There's nothing better than 50 or so women prancing across the illuminated stage in skimpy material, held together by dental floss (waxed and mint flavored for your pleasure).

Alas, the fun was abruptly brought to a halt when the contestants had to conform to the political correctness that had swept through the contest. No more interview segments where a studly Regis Philbin asks the typical question: "If you could change one thing in the world, what would it be?" No more typical responses from the contestants: "To bring peace on earth everywhere and happiness to everyone."

No, now we had the "respected journalist" Nancy Glass in a Barbara Waltersesque sit-down question session. I was waiting for her to ask one of those deep, personal questions that makes every guest on Ms. Walter's program weep. Not only was the question-answer session ridiculous, but the contestants were required to adopt a social platform.

A social platform? Was this the Miss America pageant or the Democra-
tic Na-
tional Con-
(picture Al
ballroom
really not
a stretch)?

So the
showed "ex-
hind-the-scenes" footage of the judges screening potentials by asking them social and political questions. My favorite of the bunch was Miss Hawaii. The question was concerning her state being the only one to have legalized gay marriage. Her response was outstanding: "I think it's very sad."

While she may have stuck to her beliefs on the subject, I knew that answer had sunk her chances of winning. Surely the politically correct police were outraged. How dare anyone oppose gay marriages. My guess is because it is sick, twisted and has absolutely no place in our society.

Back to the winner, Miss Illinois. Her "talent" (if that's what you want to call it) was singing, or rather shouting a song at the crowd. But, since Miss Illinois was from Northwestern University, the prestigious acting school, surely she has talent. Normally when I think of a song, there is a beat and music that accompanies that tune. This, however, looked and sounded like an over dramatization of a horrific song that she probably wrote herself (more suck-up points with the judges).

The thing that made me dislike Miss Illinois the most was the look on her face whenever the camera focused on her grill. It appeared as if she had just been punched in the gut, mouth wide open. Obviously, one of her drama professors had given her some tips on how to successfully present herself in Pageant 101.

Why do we no longer hear the word "beauty" when they announce the title? It is a beauty pageant, right? Or am I just being a sexist pig? Absolutely not. If it is a beauty pageant, then let's judge the contestants on their looks, their dimensions, their demeanor. Forget all that other "insubstantial" stuff. If, however, Miss America has now become an official in the government, then by all means do it.

Maybe the women should campaign, have managers, do public opinion polls (do I look better in the one-piece or two-piece swimsuit), etc. The politically correct shouldn't mask the pageant to make it something it's not.

If the line isn't drawn now, a few years from now it could include guys who have had sex-changes, or even cross-dressers. Then it could be appropriately titled, "Miss Drag Queen America," or something "politically correct" like that.

Melissa Buck runs for a touchdown in the pictures at right. She was one of the participants in the Gender Olympics, held Wednesday.

She's at the 20, the 10, the 5, she scores!



Nine Shots Ain't No Party

by Christine Kasel

For the students at the new UNMC Clinic, party-time is over. Gone are the television cameras, the major newspaper reporters and the jitters of opening night. All that's left are the patients of south Omaha and the students of UNMC, all of whom have equal need of each other.

Located at 5211 S. 31st St., it is the first UNMC clinic to be run by students. The medical students have coined the acronym SHARING (Student Health Alliance Reaching Indigent Needy Groups) to describe their service. Hours of operation are from 6 to 8:30 p.m. every Tuesday.

On this second night of the clinic there are five medical students on staff. Paula Engelhart, Karoline Anderson, Lars Vanderbur, Andrea Lawson and John Andresen all wait their turn to prick a patient, take a temperature, or write medical histories.

Second-year medical student John Andresen, 40, wears the tra-

ditional white coat of his chosen profession. But tonight, stepping out of character, he is also acting as doorman for the South Omaha Clinic. Shortly after 6:30 the doorbell rings. Andresen, stethoscope around his neck, opens the clinic door, locked from the outside, for his first patient. Rachel, 11, accompanied by mom Jill, is here for her school physical.

Andresen greets the newcomers and ushers them in. He escorts them into the clinic and past the front desk. Behind the desk is a white Philco refrigerator marked: NO FOOD and NONFLAMMABLE MATERIALS ONLY. Overseeing physician Jeff Hill sits behind a computer console while the other four med students chat quietly. Rachel, Jill and Andresen file past and turn into exam room six. For the first part of the patient visit Andresen is on his own.

In the exam room, Rachel takes a seat in a chair next to the table cov-

ered with a sterile white paper. For the next few minutes, Andresen directs Rachel through exam hoops: weight 111 lbs, height 59 1/4 inches tall. "Good nutrition," he remarks, after asking Rachel about her eating habit and checking skin color. Stepping away from her, he deadpans, "I think you need about nine shots," then laughs. Rachel laughs with him. An old doctors joke.

Other med students, accompanied by the overseeing Nurse Practitioner, Kathryn Fiant, enter the room to work on lab tests at the sink. The room fills with more people and discussions. Andresen decides to move his patients to another room.

Med students attend the clinic in rotations. Over 100 students have signed up for this opportunity for practical experience and this is Andresen's first and only evening at the clinic. In the hallway, he looks in a few rooms before coming to the

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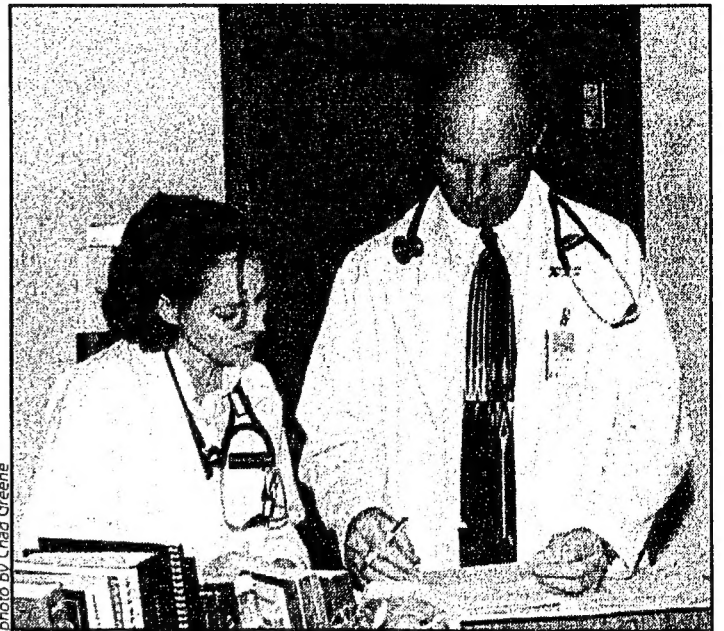


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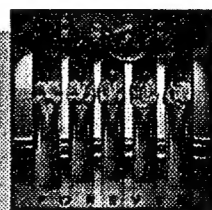
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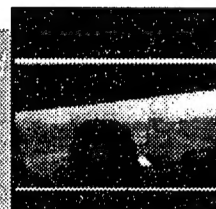
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'Moving Company' Does Some 'Nebraska Dancing'

by Erika Sager



Not an inkling of pain crosses her face as the UNO athletic trainer wrapped her ankle.

"How's that feel?" he asked.

"Good. Real supportive," she said.

The dancer stands and adjusts to the new maintenance. The memory of crawling off stage the night before, after collapsing from a sprained ankle, wasn't going to keep her off stage tonight.

Down the hall in a soft-lit mirrored room, dancers donned in creative costumes sit before their reflections. They apply mascara and lipstick, eyeliner and blush to enhance their expressions. If they are nervous, it isn't apparent.

This is where our injured friend applies body make-up to her wound; later, not even I would see the wrappings from the audience.

This will be the second and last night for "Nebraska Dancing" at Creighton's Lied Center. Organized and produced by Nebraskan choreographers, the concert is a collaboration of UNO's "The Moving Company," the "Omaha Modern Dance Collective," Lincoln's "The Wagon Train Project," Creighton University and UNL.

A special New York City solo guest appearance from former Nebraskan Kelly Holcombe is welcomed again this year. New York choreographers Sara Pearson and Patric Widrig are also invited back to recreate selections from "Ordinary Festivals," a piece performed at the Summer Arts Festival.

Saturday's opening number, "Alive," is set on a bare, dark stage, where the dancers appear as silhouettes against back-grounds of blue and pink color depicting a sunrise.

the music begins the figures unfold, representing flowers facing

"We wanted the audience to feel relaxed and refreshed," said Nick

the ABC Dance Factory.

finishes the first act, featuring two UNO students. They dance to a rhythmic deep-

A s
the new day.
Sobozak, a member of
"Slaughter House Tango"

Later, Lauren Cadillac's "The River and I," shows dancers in flowing earth-brown costumes and children in seafoam green. The three dancers on stage appeared to be playing, impersonating playful waters.

In "Wherever You May Be," UNO Professor Josie Metal-Corbin pays a "homage to dance and dancers dancing—in their living rooms, the office, Dundee supermarket, or even on stage—wherever they may be." Unlike the other pieces, this number is performed with live music — three vocalists, including UNO's Anthony Turner, accompanied by a piano. The three main dancers, clad in simple maroon costumes take the stage until the end. At this point, 26 extras rush out to create a dramatic climax and stunning visual effect. The "extras" are costumed as anything and everything, from cheerleaders to ballet and tap dancers to graduates to stewardesses.

"Nebraska Dancing" performed for a full and receptive audience both nights. UNO students Nick Sobozak and Wendy Lodes both admit that they were sad to be at the end of another performance. Lodes said that they were more "energetic" this year, and according to other dancers, this year's show seemed to go better than years past.

UNO student Michelle Packard said this year's cast members "were really in tune with each other." Theresa Murphy, another member of "The Moving Company," said it was "specific professional elements in the performing, not just the choreography," that helped the show reach its element of success.

UNO was well represented in the concert, with four of the 11 numbers choreographed by "The Moving Company" alone.

Ironically, none of the members are dance majors; UNO doesn't have dance as an independent major. Instead, some of the weekend's performers represent UNO's medicine, education and geography departments.

Local Writer Rowell Tells Her Newspaper Secrets

By Renee Ryan

The people who hired her have since admitted that they considered her silly for the position.

But "they picked me, and I wasn't going to ask any questions," said Rainbow Rowell. At 24, she is the youngest columnist at the Omaha World Herald.

The editors were a little nervous about what topics she would choose.

So was she: World Herald policy is not to kill columns, but to kill *columnists*, Rowell said.

"I am so lucky," Rowell said though, "This is the job I always wanted."

Rowell credits her swift success with luck and the willingness to work hard. Involvement in college was important because she learned more and got acquainted with the instructors who helped her get internship jobs.

Her first taste of journalism came at Omaha

North High School when the creative writing class was closed. She opted for journalism and ended up enjoying it. Later at UNL, she told her professors she wanted to be a columnist. They chuckled a little and told her to strive to be a reporter because that's what pays the bills. "Everyone wants to be a columnist," they said.

Rowell began as an intern at both the Omaha World Herald and the Des Moines Register; both needed beat reporters for Western Iowa. When she began, she was reporting 12-15 briefs (brief stories) per week.

But the Register had a limited budget and seemed to cut reporters without hiring replacements, Rowell said. Because the Register is a chain, the focus on profits created a problem for reporters. Rowell felt tension at the Register, and was glad to move on to the Herald where the paper is employee owned.

"An employee owned paper can take an economic hit and still not fire," she said.

But Rowell realized she doesn't get the adrenaline some reporters do from stories and late breaking news. When the columnist job to replace Bob MacMillan opened at the Herald, Rowell applied thinking she didn't have a chance. But "I figured it can't hurt to try," she said.

After six months of interviewing, Rowell was given the job.

Ideas for columns come from her head first, she said, but people also call her with ideas. She looks for people stories, crazy, odd stories, or personal interest pieces. She received one complaint about her abundance of sad stories. "I would like to do more happy stories," Rowell said.

An important part of her job is doing thorough research, she said. Because she is

young, she is especially careful about all the facts, she added.

Rowell has to deal with being in the public forum. Most of the letters she receives are positive, yet the angry ones still hurt. One "letter to the editor" in a summer issue of the Gateway was harsh, saying she can not be taken seriously. She had her first taste of bashing over an article about her family and growing up on welfare.

She had written the story two years ago in college, Rowell said, and it wasn't run as her column. Others still objected to her family being put in the spotlight at all. But Rowell says she talked to her family before the story was run. "I wrote the story to shed more light on welfare and the types of people who can be on it," she said.

Ethnic Fashions modeled at Boutique

On Sept. 16 at 11:30 the SPO office sponsored the LeBell "Boutique Afrique" in the Nebraska room of the Student center. The troop modeled ethnic fashions and African dance, which gave the people attending an authentic look into African culture beyond what is heard on the news about famine and war.

When I arrived ten minutes before show time the stage was being set up and everyone was busy getting the costumes and props ready to start the show.

Ian Barns, a member of the SPO office gave some insight into what the SPO office is trying to accomplish, "I think the main focus of the SPO office is to bring in many multicultural things...not just Indian, Asian, of African; it's to show that the campus has a very diverse populous. I think that this is the start of a great year where we just have a lot of different things set up. The focus today, with all of the flags and maps, is on Africa, but this is not the focus of all that SPO hopes to do this year."

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new exam area.

More routine exams follow; scoliosis, thyroid, coordination, moles. Andresen explains in a confident voice how to fill a urine cup. As he passes the cup to Rachel, however, his hand trembles slightly.

There is no cuff to take Rachel's blood pressure in this exam cubicle, so the trio return to exam room six. In addition to her blood pressure reading, Rachel needs a school inoculation, which Andresen will do under the supervision™ of Fiant.

Back in room six, Rachel has her finger pricked while Andresen confers with Hill over the patient's medical history and the tests Andresen has run. Snatches of medical and student talk from the staff fill the air. "...did have that TB shot in 1994. In Texas. Mark it down..." "...got a couple more tests.

Did you study?"

Andresen returns to check Rachel's eye sight - Twenty-twenty - and discusses the results of the finger-prick test. "Hemoglobin is what carries the oxygen to your brain," he explains to Rachel. "We try not just to make them healthy," he says to Jill, "but educate them, too," then laughs.

Andresen leaves the room with Fiant to prepare the injection. Fiant asks Andresen if he wants to do it. He does. Other than the injections of saline that med students give each other, Andresen has only done this one other time. He wants the opportunity. Rachel is still smiling and talking with her mother and the other med students when Andresen returns. He tells her she doesn't have to watch. "You can look over there," he says, pointing his finger at the far wall. Rachel smiles, "I'll watch," she says.

Andresen puts the needle against the flesh of her upper left arm. The skin dimples, the needle enters, and Andresen slowly injects the fluid. In a few seconds the smile leaves Rachel's face. She frowns, then exclaims "Owl!" "It's just the medicine," says one of the med students.

The injection complete, Rachel looks at the spot where the needle had entered. "That's it?" she asks. "Can I just go home now?"

After Rachel and her mother leave the clinic, Andresen is left with her charts, which he will fill out before helping to close the clinic. Also left is the debriefing of the med students by the Hill and Fiant, where they will receive feedback on their medical performances.

Next week will bring new patients and new students, coming together out of mutual need.

Toni Bryson and Paul Ajouga model traditional African clothing.



Piano, Anyone?

by Kathy Daley

The crowd grows silent as a 23-year-old man slowly walks out onto the wooden stage. He unbuttons his suit jacket, sits down at the piano and begins to play, but with no music. His fingers dance across the keys; his body moves with the piece. Occasionally he shuts his eyes and tips back his head.

The audience is mesmerized.

Presented by the Tuesday Musical Concert Series, in coordination with the College of Fine Arts and the Department of Music, Ignat Solzhenitsyn performed Beethoven's "Diabelli Variations" and Schubert's "Sonata in G Major, opus 78" in the Strauss recital hall Sunday afternoon.

Remarkably, both one hour pieces were played from memory.

"His performance was amazing, excellent," said Melissa Wetherell, UNO Business Administration Major. Wetherell was told about the concert in her Music Appreciation class. Wetherell and her friend Joyce Klinge-Smith, UNO Biology major, both agreed that Solzhenitsyn was unbelievable.

"I was really impressed with the amount of feeling he put into each piece," said Klinge-Smith. "That really added to the concert." Both Wetherell and Klinge-Smith are looking forward to the upcoming concerts that will be sponsored by the Tuesday Musical Concert Series at the Joslyn Art Museum, which begins in October.

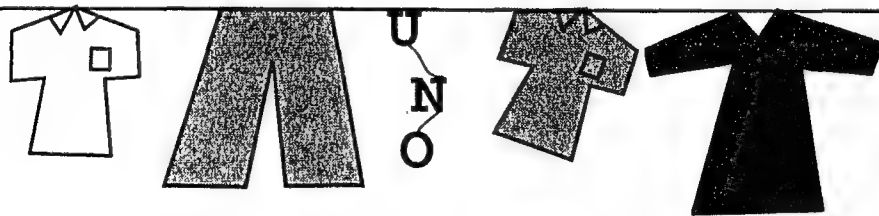
"There are no shortcuts," the out-of-breath pianist said after his performance. "One must try and enter the world of each composer, feel their message in your blood."

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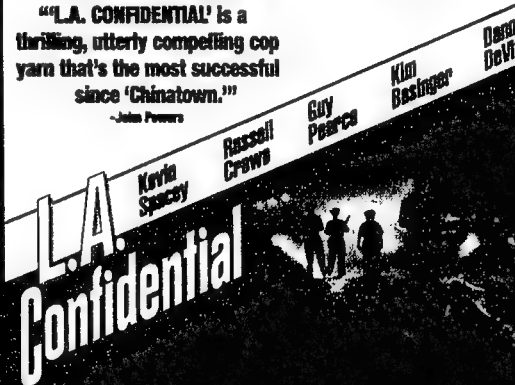
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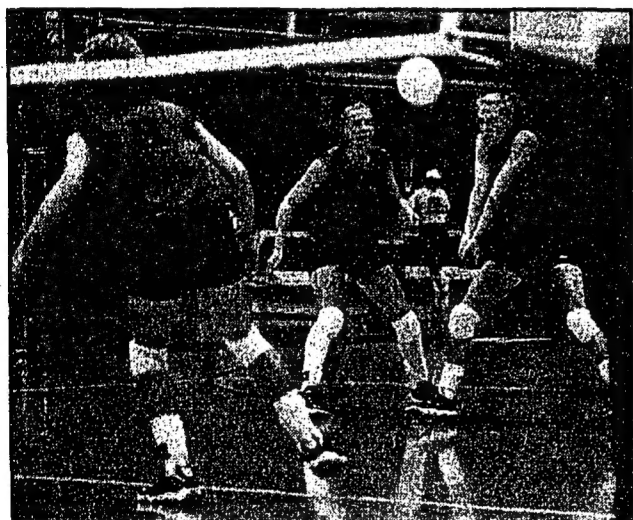
In the latest Division II cross country polls, released Tuesday, the Lady Mav cross country team was ranked No. 7 nationally in the top 25. Adams State leads the rankings, however, the only other team in the North Central Conference to receive a ranking higher than the Lady Mavs was No. 4 North Dakota. Other NCC teams in the top 25 include: South Dakota State (12), North Dakota State (15) and Northern Colorado (22).

In north central regional polling,

the Lady Mavs were ranked No. 2, behind No. 1-ranked North Dakota, followed by South Dakota State, North Dakota State, Northern Colorado, Minnesota-Duluth, Mankato State, Northern State, Augustana and Bemidji State.

The Lady Mavs' next meet will be tomorrow at the UNL/NWU Invite, co-hosted by UNL and Nebraska Wesleyan University. The meet will begin at 10 a.m. in Pioneer Park in Lincoln.

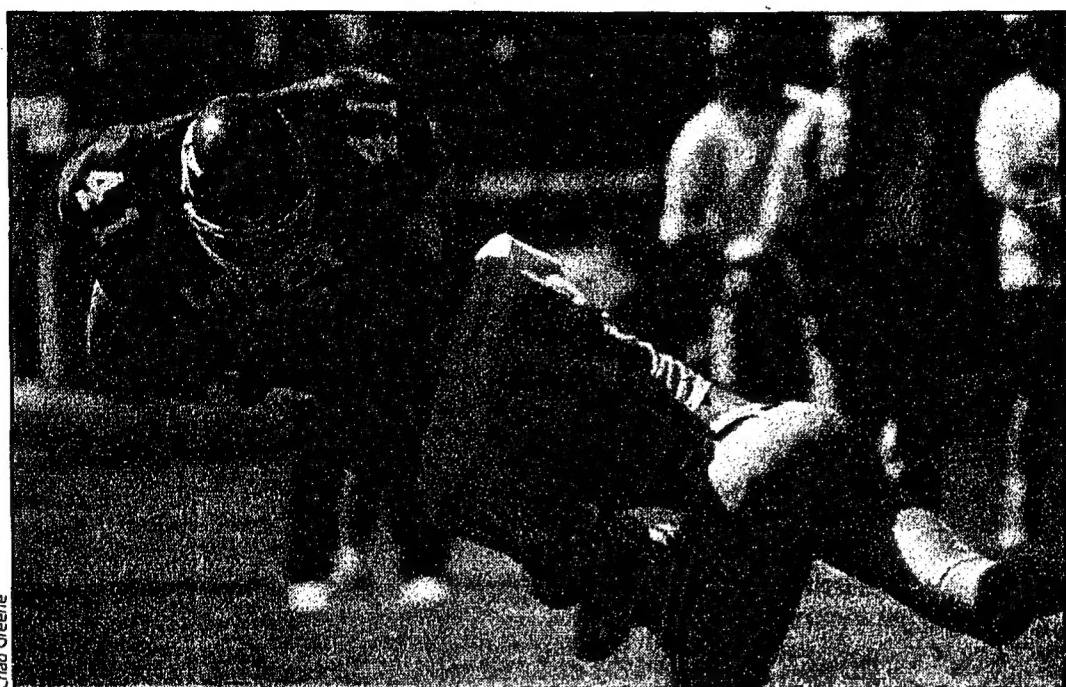
Lady Mavs Road Trippin'



The Lady Mavs are in the middle of a group of road games this week. After suffering their sixth loss of the year Tuesday night at Northern Colorado, they head out to Minnesota to take on St. Cloud St. and Mankato St. today and tomorrow. In photo above, Tracy Ankeny sets a ball to Kim Gerdes (9) as Corrine Boltin looks on. In the photo below, Lady Mavs Tracy Ankeny (foreground) and Cheri Pribyl dive for a ball that Tanya Cate (top) handles.



University of Nebraska at Omaha SPORTS



Maverick defensive back Ben Titus (16) takes down a Nebraska-Kearney ball carrier in last Saturday's game. The Mavs travel to the Fargodome to play North Dakota State this week.

Mavs Sign Up for Scouting

by Amy Silver

Pinewood Derby Racetracks, model car racing, basketball hoops, magicians, and the World's Largest Popcorn Ball — sounds like a carnival, right? It's all part of the "Sign Up for Scouting Drive," sponsored by the Mid-America Council of the Boy Scouts of America, and the UNO Maverick football and hockey teams.

The Mavs made an appearance yesterday at the Westroads Mall parking lot to sign autographs. They joined the Boy Scouts, their leaders, and a majority of the community that participated in the fun.

The Maverick participation didn't stop on Thursday, however. The teams, lead by Head Football Coach Pat Behrns, plan to visit area schools to get boys interested in scouting.

Behrns is the chairman of the 1997 fall recruitment

effort, "The Sign Up for Scouting Drive."

Boy Scouts Finance Director Jim Gilbert said having the Mavs help out not only raises awareness but helps the organization itself. "Coach Behrns is a key community leader and he has offered us his services and the services of his team," he said.

The Boy Scouts of America expect over 4,000 men and boys to register this fall.

When asked about the union of the Boy Scouts and the Mavericks, Gilbert said, "Coach Behrns believes in the same basic principles as the Boy Scouts. Regardless of creed, color, financial background or talent, Coach Behrns tries to teach his team members those principles as the Boy Scouts do. That's why we chose to involve him and his team."

"I'm very excited about what we're doing," Coach Behrns said. In an effort to welcome new Boy Scouts, all boys and adult leaders who join by Sept. 30 will be admitted free by wearing their uniform to the UNO-South Dakota State game Oct. 18.

Thursday was also the kick-off for the "Scouting for Food Drive" with Head Mav Hockey Coach Mike Kemp as its honorary chairman.

Thursday's event put the Boy Scouts on center stage. Besides the Maverick teams, the Omaha Flames soccer team is helping out, along with other organizations.

Not only did the event bring the community together, it also brought media attention, drawing interest ranging from television, radio and newspapers.

"Several great community-based organizations like to associate themselves with the Boy Scouts," Gilbert said, "whether it's reaching boys at an early age or trying to impact them later in life."

He also spoke very highly of the Mavericks. "Coach Behrns and Coach Kemp are very community-oriented and so are their respective teams."

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By Andy Nordmeier



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On the Shelf

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Welcome Back

Marcelles Walker rejoins the team this week after missing the last game with a slow heartbeat. He was cleared to play after being tested by cardiologists at Bergan Mercy hospital to see if there were any abnormalities.

Climbing the polls

With the win last week over Nebraska-Kearney, the Mavs jumped into the top 10 of the NCAA Division II Associated Press poll. UNO comes at No. 10 this week. Defending national champion Northern Colorado plummeted to No. 15 following a 14-13 loss to Western State. North Dakota moved up from No. 16 to No. 14 and Chadron State hung in at No. 20.

No Place Like Home

Since 1980, the Bison hold a 96-8-2 record in home games between the Fargodome and Dacotah Field. The Fargodome opened its doors in 1993 and the Bison have a record of 23-3 in the dome. The Mavs own one of those wins against the Bison as they triumphed 24-21 last season. It was the first win in school history in Fargo. The Bison have dominated this series as they hold a commanding 21-8-1 all-time edge.

Leader of the Herd

The Bison welcomed a new head coach this season. Bob Babich brings 14 years of experience with him from his assistant's position with Division I Tulsa. He has started out by winning his first two games of the season, including a 31-14 win over then sixth-ranked West Georgia.

Ground War

Saturday's game features two teams who prefer to use the run to move the ball. NDSU features running back Jake Morris and quarterback Kevin Feeney, who have combined for 397 yards on 69 carries. The Mavs counter with running back Jeff Herdzina and quarterback Ed Thompson, who collaborated to produce 515 yards on 70 attempts. This match-up could prove to be key to the game.



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Jenkins announces future plans

At a press conference last Friday, senior wide receiver MarTay Jenkins announced that his future plans depend on his rehabilitation from his anterior cruciate ligament reconstruction.

"If I can be 100 percent by March, then there's a good chance that I won't be back," Jenkins said. "But if I can't be where I want to be by March, then there's a good chance I will take the hardship and be back for the 1998 season."

Jenkins described how the injury happened on his second kickoff return against Central Missouri State Sept. 6.

"I tried to make a cut in full-stride and my foot got caught in the turf. That's when I heard a pop in my knee," he said.

That pop will effect his placement in the National Football League draft, should he be in condition to declare himself eli-

gible for this year's draft. There were 24 NFL teams scouting him in the week of the first game. Jenkins was projected to go in the fourth, fifth, or sixth round, but a scout from the Indianapolis Colts had forecasted him as being a first or second round pick.

"One of my personal goals is to get to the next level. I'd just like to get there and be there."

Jenkins will be receiving support from his family, friends, and scouts during his rehabilitation. Scouts from the St. Louis Rams, Tennessee Oilers, and Carolina Panthers told him to keep his chin up and to stay positive, according to Jenkins.

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Looking for outgoing person to lease apartment units. Great experience if you're thinking of going into real estate. Weekends & possible evenings. Apply in person at Laurelwood Apts. 5439 N. 100th Plaza (99th & Fort east of Walmart).

THE COOKIE COMPANY Looking for the perfect job while going to school? Here it is! Flexible hours, low stress, clean work & profit sharing. Apply at Crossroads Mall.

Field Club of Omaha is looking for banquet staff. Please apply in person at 3615 Woolworth Ave.

OLD MARKET SPAGHETTI WORKS NOW HIRING Waitpersons, flexible hours, food discount, fun upbeat environment. Bring your personality & apply in person at 1105 Howard St.

FOR SALE

'91 Honda Accord LX Beige, auto/all power, 164k, runs well, needs body work. \$4000 as is. Call 697-1127

2 UNO Season Hockey tickets, rinkside. Great seats only \$550!! Please call 345-1303 days and 894-2505 nights and ask for Brian or please leave message.

'86 Nissan Sentra 4 door, 5 speed, 130,000 miles, runs great! \$1200. Please call 325-9222.

We buy, sell, trade used CD's. Homer's Old Market, Orchard Plaza, Bellevue, and Miracle Hills.

ROOMMATE WANTED

Female Roommate Wanted 2 bedroom townhouse Rent: \$260.00 + utilities Call: 734-5025 Roommate needed ASAP.

Roommate wanted to share expenses. Near school. \$200 + 1/2 utilities. Mike 561-0214 or leave message.

Female roommate wanted to share beautiful home with mother & 2 children. Elmwood location. \$300/mo. 556-5301.

2 Christian Females looking for 2 roommates by Oct. 1. 137 N. 38th St. Large duplex, all wood floors, 1 1/2 bathrooms, \$170 or \$120 depending on room. Please call Teri at 344-4184.

HOUSING

APTS., HOUSES and sleeping rms. for rent, roommate lists - call UNO Housing Referral Service 554-2383 or stop in the Admin. Office, Milo Hall Student Center.

TYPING SERVICES

All typing services, reasonable student papers. \$1.50 per page. Adjacent to UNO. Fast, accurate, laser printing. Mary 551-8183.

UNO HOMECOMING 1997

CAKE WITH THE CANDIDATES

Monday, September 22nd

10:45 a.m.

Ballroom

Come enjoy free cake served to you by this year's Homecoming Royalty. It's a great chance to get to know and talk with all of this year's candidates, as well as stop that growling in your stomach.

Jim Wand (Hypnotist)

Monday, September 22nd

11:30 a.m.

MBSC Ballroom

Once again, by popular demand the incredible and crowd-pleasing hypnotist Jim Wand is returning to UNO. Watch as people you've known for years turn into country music stars, or martians from outer space. You definitely don't want to miss this show. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded for Attendance*

SIDESHOW OLYMPICS

Tuesday, September 23rd

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Pep Bowl

S.P.O. decided to bring the sideshow in the form of some silly olympics. Individuals will get the chance to compete for prizes, as they participate in events such as balloon tosses, tug of war, and clown races. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded for Attendance*

CLOTHESLINE ACROSS CAMPUS

Tuesday, September 23rd

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Pep Bowl

Get rid of all your old clothes at the 3rd annual Clothesline Across Campus. Our goal is to collect more than 4000 pieces of clothes to top last years record. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded*

RICK KELLY

Wednesday, September 24th

11:30 a.m.

MBSC Plaza

Rick Kelly will be performing his famous interactive show. His hilarious act, which revolves around audience interaction, has everything from hula hoop contests to outright prize bribes. People who arrive early will get a double treat, as all sorts of carnival food will be passed out. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded for Attendance*

HAYRACK HOOTENANNY

Wednesday, September 24th

7:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Meet in front of MBSC,

Go to Vala's Pumpkin Patch

Escape boredom! Destination: Vala's Pumpkin Patch for a fun filled night of hayracks, bonfires, and s'mores. Don't worry...we'll be back to UNO by 11:00p.m. It's only \$3 for students, \$4 for faculty. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Doubled for Attendance.*

PEP RALLY

Thursday, September 25th

12:00 noon

Fireplace Lounge

Today UNO is going to show their 'Mav' spirit with a huge pep rally. Come to the event and cheer on last year's NCC Division Champs the UNO Maverick football team, the defending national champion Lady Mavs volleyball team, and UNO's cross country team. Athletic Director Bob Danenhauer will be hosting the ceremony. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded for Attendance.*

MAV SPIRIT DAY

Friday, September 26th

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Nebraska Room

Pictures of organizations will be taken in the Nebraska Room. Whichever organization has the highest percentage of their members in their picture will win this spirited contest.

BANNER CONTEST

Friday, September 26th

Deadline is 12:30 p.m.

Nebraska Room

The banner contest is back! Banners must reflect the theme of Homecoming, "No Clowning Around," as well as include the organization's name. Banners must be turned into the S.P.O. Office by 12:30p.m. The banners will be displayed in the Nebraska room. *Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded for Participation and Placement.*

HOMECOMING DANCE

Friday, September 27th

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Blondo Social Hall

80th and Blondo St.

Admission is only \$1.00

Spirit Cup Points Will Be Awarded for Attendance.

CARNIVAL EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, September 27th

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Pep Bowl

Today's the big day! The Pep Bowl will be transformed into a carnival. Blow-up rides, velcro games, and much more will be on hand. There will be tons of prizes to win, games to play, and food to eat. The carnival will temporarily stop at noon to get ready for the Mav's big 1:00p.m. game against South Dakota.

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